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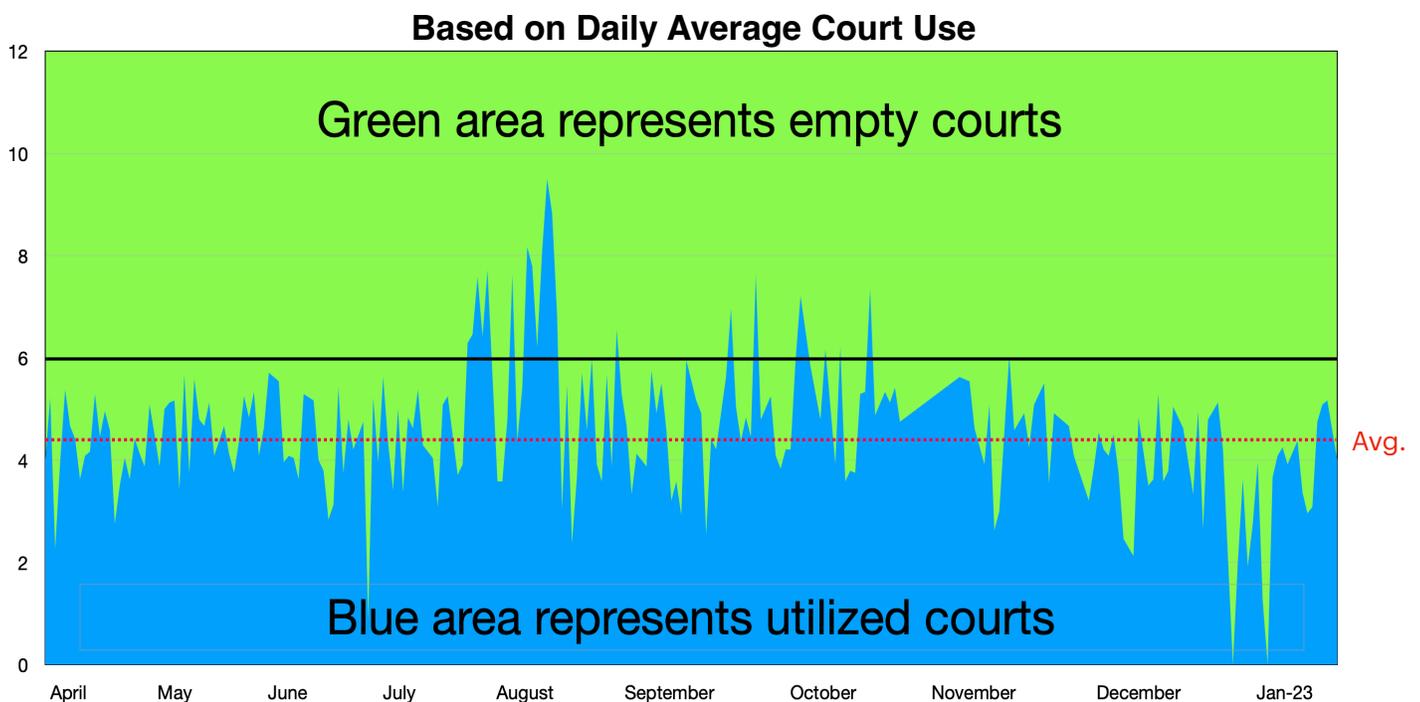
TO: Mayor Todd Gloria
Andy Field, Director, San Diego Parks and Recreation

RE: Proposal to Temporarily Repurpose 6 Tennis Courts at Peninsula Tennis Club for Pickleball

The Pickleball Association of San Diego presents the following information in support of its request for the temporary repurposing of 6 of 12 of the Peninsula Tennis Club's courts until a pickleball facility is completed.

Peninsula Tennis Club (PTC) Court Utilization Data

This data set forth in the charts below spans 220 days of Peninsula Tennis Club (PTC) court logs: April 30, 2022, to January 15, 2023. Assuming the court logs are accurate, on average, 4.5 out of 12 courts are in-use over the course of a day.



Court Logs v. Actual Utilization

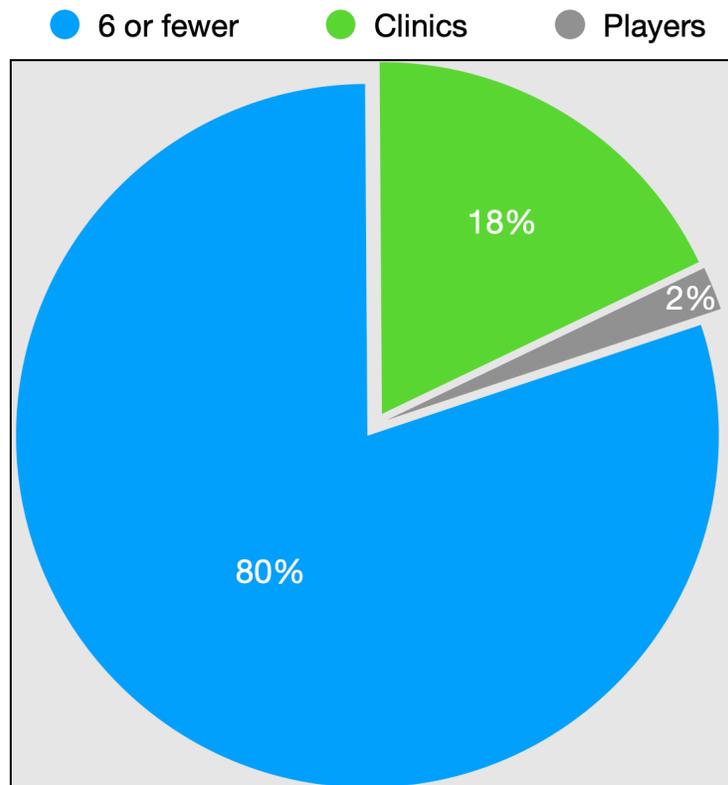
Periodically, PASD volunteers checked scheduled court usage against persons present on the court. PASD also collected a week of aerial footage. Based upon this additional data, PASD found that the court logs skewed as much as 10% higher. However, it is understood that sometimes players sign up to play and do not show up, particularly members who do not pay to play.

In addition, PTC management at times will hold aside courts that don't get used. This was done in August when eight of the courts were held aside for two weeks for a national tournament held at Barnes, so that out-of-town players had practice courts available. During this time, most courts were not used nor available to the public.

Peak Usage Data

Below is a close-up look at peak usage data derived from 723 consecutive hours of PTC court logs (April 30 to June 30, 2022).

- Blue (80%): 6 or fewer tennis courts in use by either instructors or players.
- Green (18%): 7+ tennis courts in use as a result of clinics and lessons.
- Gray (2%): 7+ tennis courts are in use as a result of player bookings.



PASD Observations and Suggestions from the Data

1. For most available court hours, PTC would not be harmed by the temporary conversion of 6 tennis courts to pickleball courts.
2. If instructors' teaching activities were moved to less-active player times (hold some in the afternoons rather than mornings, on certain days), the small percentage of times 6+ courts are in use would be alleviated.
3. Professional teaching activities could be relocated to other courts such as Barnes during the temporary conversion of the 6 tennis courts. PASD members are familiar with the open courts available in the morning at Barnes, at least on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. Such cooperation between public court facilities would be in the same spirit as when PTC provides practice courts for tournaments at Barnes.

Conclusion

The temporary conversion of 6 or 12 PTC tennis courts for use by pickleball players could be accommodated with minimum displacement of players at PTC.